REMARKS

By way of the foregoing amendments, the Specification has been amended to reflect the English language translation of the title. The claims, 4-10, have been amended to delete the multiple dependencies and to otherwise conform with conventional U.S. format. No new matter has been added by these changes.

It is requested that the application be examined on the basis of the specification and the claims as amended.

Early and favorable consideration with respect to this application is respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that she be contacted at the number indicated below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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